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to be drawn from this investigation is that wet grinding, instead of being a dustless and innocuous process, as has commonly been supposed, may, under certain conditions, be a dusty and exceedingly dangerous one, particularly when grinding wheels of natural sandstone are used. When such is the case, every effort should be made to substitute a dry-grinding process properly protected by the installation of exhausts.

ORDINANCE HELD INVALID BECAUSE SUBJECT WAS NOT CLEARLY EXPRESSED IN TITLE.

A recent decision¹ of the Supreme Court of Iowa illustrates well the necessity for strict compliance with all legal requirements when drafting legislation.

An ordinance of the city of Des Moines made it unlawful for any teacher or person in charge of any school to admit any pupil until after it had been proved that such pupil had been successfully vaccinated. Other sections of the ordinance provided for the promulgation of regulations by the board of health, made it the duty of teachers and others to carry out and enforce the provisions of the ordinance, and provided a penalty for its violation. The ordinance was entitled "An ordinance requiring the vaccination of school children and providing for rules, regulations, and penalties for its violation."

A State law provided that "No ordinance shall contain more than one subject, which shall be clearly expressed in its title; * * *."

The Supreme Court of Iowa held that the title not only failed to clearly express the subject of the ordinance but was inconsistent therewith, and that the ordinance was invalid because of noncompliance with the statute.

FIFTIETH ANNUAL MEETING OF THE AMERICAN PUBLIC HEALTH ASSOCIATION.

To be Held in New York City November 14-18, 1921.

Announcement has been made that the fiftieth annual meeting of the American Public Health Association will be held this year in New York City, and the date tentatively set is November 14-18.

The first organization meeting of the association was held in New York City on April 18, 1872, and the meeting of 1921 will mark its semicentennial. Dr. Stephen Smith, the founder and first president, now living in the City of New York, is just entering upon his 99th

¹ *Tones et al. v. Independent School Dist. of Des Moines et al.*, 189 N. W., 157.

year, still active and vigorous, and is expected to take part in the semicentennial celebration.

It is planned as an important feature of this year's meeting to conduct demonstrations of public health administrative methods in the laboratories, executive offices, garbage-disposal plants, and similar centers of public health interest, in which New York City offers splendid opportunity.

In connection with the celebration it is expected to present a review of the progress of the various branches of public health within the last fifty years.

The sectional programs will include Public Health Administration, Vital Statistics, Laboratory, Food and Drugs, Sociology, Sanitary Engineering, Industrial Hygiene, and Child Hygiene.

DEATHS DURING WEEK ENDED JAN. 22, 1921.

Summary of information received by telegraph from industrial insurance companies for week ended Jan. 22, 1921. (From the "Weekly Health Index," Jan. 25, 1921, issued by the Bureau of the Census, Department of Commerce.)

Policies in force.....	45,103,062
Number of death claims.....	8,483
Death claims per 1,000 policies in force, annual rate.....	9.8